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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An interior of a heating chamber is heated by a heating chamber interior heater and steam is supplied into the heating chamber by a steam supplier. At the then time, since a control part, based on the temperature of the interior of the heating chamber detected by a heating chamber temperature detector or according to a predetermined time scheme, controls the heating chamber interior heater and steam supplier in such a manner that the interior of the heating chamber provides a given temperature, a food can be maintained at a heat retention temperature suitable for keeping the food warm and moist. This can solve problems, such as drying and burning of the surface of the food.